

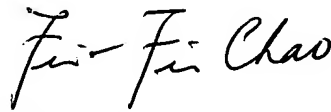
REMARKS

Consideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

In this preliminary amendment, claims 1-6 are pending and claims 5-6 are amended to eliminate multiple dependent claims to confirm with the U.S. patent practice. No new matter has been introduced.

No fee is believed to be due for this amendment. Should any additional fee be required, please charge the same to deposit account number 50-2518 and notify the Applicants' attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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